

# Toolbox Talk

## 21. Environmental Protection



### What?

- We rely on the environment to live and survive through the air we breathe, the water we drink and the land we use to extract materials and grow food and other products. Some parts of the environment can be renewed, other parts cannot which affects the way we live



### Why?

- We all have a duty to care for the environment, and to reduce the impact of our operations and activities in order to preserve the environmental balance that sustain life. A great deal can be done to conserve finite resources and reduce climate warming by reducing the amount we use, re-using material when we can and reducing waste whenever possible

### Do



- ✓ Segregate waste whenever possible
- ✓ Use recycle bins
- ✓ Turn off lights and other equipment when not in use
- ✓ Reduce non-essential heating
- ✓ Keep generators and boilers properly maintained
- ✓ Report any poor environmental conditions
- ✓ Comply with all waste management processes
- ✓ Reduce any noise levels where possible (e.g. fit acoustic hoods)
- ✓ Install insulation to reduce heat loss
- ✓ Turn down thermostats
- ✓ Reduce water consumption

### Don't



- ✗ Leave lights or other electrical appliances on when not in use
- ✗ Put hazardous materials (waste oil etc) down drains, sinks and toilets
- ✗ Tamper with or open discharge valves on vessels containing hazardous materials
- ✗ Put waste in the wrong bin
- ✗ Leave taps running



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